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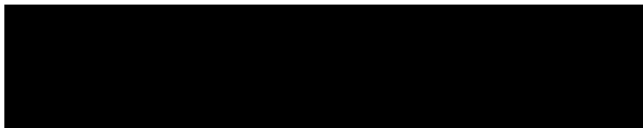
MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director-Comptroller

SUBJECT: Management of Information Processing

REFERENCE: Your draft memorandum, Same subject

1. I share fully with you the desire to carry out the Director's wishes as expressed in his memorandum of 3 September. I do not, however, fully understand paragraph 2.a. of your draft memorandum. First, Project ASPIN which you established in this Directorate includes among its tasks the problem of clarifying the responsibilities of CRS and OCS in support of production. Secondly, this paragraph mentions "the system under consideration in CRS" and its compatibility with other systems. I do not understand what specific system this is. It might be useful if your memorandum referred in the first case to the role of Project ASPIN and in the second case was more specific about the CRS system you have in mind.

2. In regard to paragraph 5, we already have within the Directorate of Intelligence a senior-level mechanism for reviewing the validity and priority of ADP tasks and consider this essential to the efficient and effective use of ADP resources. One minor change in this paragraph, however, is suggested in order to keep the approval mechanism for the acquisition of computers and processors from being cluttered up with the so-called desk computers which cost only a few thousand dollars. I would recommend a small threshold amount (perhaps \$20 thousand).



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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director-Comptroller

SUBJECT: Your Memorandum on Management
of Information Processing

1. The following comments are offered in response to your request.

2. I believe that the study called for in paragraph 2a will duplicate in part the work being done by [REDACTED] on Project ASPIN.

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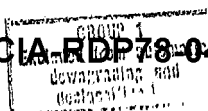
3. The exact purpose of the studies called for in paragraph 3 is not all that clear. There is certainly no harm in assessing the progress or effectiveness of any and all ADP programs, including the CIA contribution to COINS.

4. In any event paragraph 3 should be revised to make the requirement for a study relating to training and career development of ADP personnel a separate thought unrelated to the first part of the paragraph.

7s/ John A. Bross

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Remarks: Bob: <p>Attached you will find comments by DD/S&T, DD/I, and John Bross about the draft memo I circulated, Subject: Management of Information Processing. I would like to pursue this discussion at our Deputies Meeting on Wednesday, 24 September, at 1430. I will not have any more precise program to present at that time.</p> <p>I should appreciate very much your giving thought to this matter and coming forward with your suggestions as to how we can best implement the policy decisions promulgated in the Director's memo of 3 September 1969.</p>			
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